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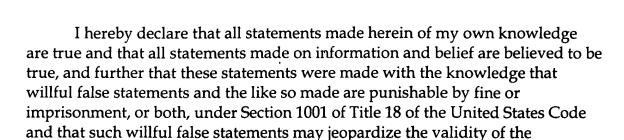
DECLARATION OF DAVID CASTRO

Sir:

- I, David Castro, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am an employee at Sony Electronics Inc., one of the Sony companies of interest in the present application.
- 2. On October 23, 2001, I deposited via United States Postal Service Express Mail with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) the above-referenced non-provisional application papers.
- 3. The application papers included thirty-four (34) pages and twelve (12) Sheets of Drawings.
- 4. Included in the twelve (12) Sheets of Drawings deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on October 23, 2001, was a sheet labeled "Fig. 7".
- 5. Fig. 7 was the eighth sheet of the twelve sheets included with the application and deposited with the USPTO on October 23, 2001.

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application or any patent issued thereon.

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